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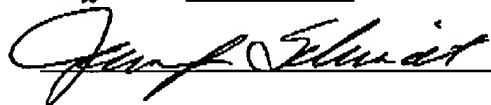
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REPLY BRIEF

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

The following Brief is submitted in reply to the Examiner's Answer of Apr. 4, 2006. The Examiner's Answer in this Appeal raises one new point.

The Examiner's Answer (p. 4, lines 13 – 16) acknowledges the rejecting reference, *Greenway et al.*, does not teach optimizing the topography for cleaning. But the Answer alleges *Greenway et al.* teaches optimizing to achieve texture and strength.

However, the Answer falls short of any showing or suggestion that the *Greenway et al.* optimization would produce the claimed structural features of Applicant's invention. Specifically there is no showing or suggestion that the *Greenway et al.* optimization would produce the claimed sheet topography – or a topography even remotely close to that which is claimed.

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Absent a teaching to modify or optimize the reference to yield the claimed topography, (rather than some topography which may or may not even be relevant). Appellants respectfully request all claims hereunder be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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